FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. S.12

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TO: The Honorable Hugh Leatherman, Chairman, Senate Finance Committee

FROM: Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board

ANALYSTS: Beth Quick

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SUBJECT: S.C. Taxation Realignment Commission

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

See Below

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

BILL SUMMARY:

Senate Bill 12 would establish the S.C. Taxation Realignment Commission, which would conduct a comprehensive study of the state's tax system and submit a report of its recommended changes.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

The Senate and the House of Representatives

The committee would consist of 11 members all of whom would be non-legislators. The cost per non-legislator per one-day meeting is \$190. Therefore, the total cost for Committee members expenses would be \$2,090 per one-day meeting. This cost will be paid by the appointing entity, and any other expenses will be paid equally from the approved accounts of the Senate and House of Representatives. Although subsection (B) (1) states that the commission may engage or employ staff, section (B) (2) states that existing shall be available to assist the commission in its work.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

None.

SPECIAL NOTES:

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None.

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